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One of the Cleveland Museum of Art's most popular programs for young people, its annual summertime art classes, will begin June 22 with eight new courses offered this year.

Open to children of Museum members and non-members alike, courses are arranged according to age level from pre-school to high school. Classes meet twice weekly for six weeks in either morning or afternoon sessions, and are designed to stimulate appreciation and understanding of art through seeing and doing.

The Museum's collection is the heart of every class. One new course, "African Safari," for example, will explore African cultures through art, myths, and ceremonies. Children will make costumes, sculptures, and paintings, utilizing the Museum's African collection as a visual resource.

In another, "Fiber Forms," youngsters will draw ideas and techniques from the Bicentennial exhibition, Arts of the American Indian, and from the textiles and fiber works in the Museum's permanent collection.

Three courses this summer are oriented specifically toward the Bicentennial: "America in Art," "American Indian Art," and "Red, White, and Blue." Each concentrates on a different aspect of America's artistic heritage from the pre-colonial period to contemporary times.

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Registration for Museum members will be held Friday, June 4 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.; for non-members, Saturday, June 5 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Because many classes are limited in size, enrollment is in order of registration.

To register children for classes, a parent or guardian should come to the Museum. Children need not be present at registration.

There is a fee of \$5.00 per class for Museum members, and \$10.00 per class for non-members, to be paid at the time of registration.

In the case of financial need, scholarships to cover class fees are available. For additional information, contact James A. Birch in the Department of Art History and Education (421-7340) before registration.

A complete schedule of classes is available from the Department of Art History and Education at the Museum.

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